



May 1, 2012

SCAG RC Adopts 2012-2035 Regional Transportation Plan; Hosts Successful 2012 Regional Conference and General Assembly, "Towards a Sustainable Future in Southern California"



On April 4, 2012, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) took a major step in setting the long-term course for important transportation projects in this vast region when its Regional Council adopted the 2012-2035 Regional Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), which integrates land use planning with transportation planning using strategies aimed at improving air quality while enhancing the mobility and economic sustainability in the region.

After nearly two years of unprecedented public outreach, direct engagement and opportunities for public comment on the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS, this year's Regional Conference and General Assembly focused on how to make it happen. Ideas on how to implement the Plan's vision took center stage as more than 800 elected officials, business and community leaders, and transportation, land use and environmental planning experts gathered April 4 and 5 for SCAG's 47th annual Regional Conference and General Assembly at the Bonaventure Hotel in Downtown Los Angeles.

Highlights of the event included recognition of Santa Monica City Council Member Pam O'Connor's service as SCAG President in 2011-2012 and the introduction of SCAG's 2012-2013 President, Simi Valley Council Member Glen Becerra; the Sponsor/Exhibitor Reception; the Awards Dinner featuring the Compass Blueprint Awards; the Year in Review video; Leadership Awards; and outstanding panel discussions on transportation, the RTP and the region's sustainability.

See photos, presentations and videos from the conference at:

www.scag.ca.gov/ga2012.

2012 Compass Blueprint Recognition Award

SCAG congratulates the following recipients of the 2012 Compass Blueprint Awards at this year's Regional Conference & General Assembly Awards Dinner. These recipients were recognized for the great planning and development work they are accomplishing, which contribute towards improving the mobility, livability, prosperity and sustainability of the Southern California Region:

President's Awards Category:

- President's Awards for Excellence – Western Riverside Council of Governments – Home Energy Renovation Opportunity (HERO) Program
- President's Awards for Excellence – City of Glendale – Safe & Healthy Streets Plan

Excellence Awards Category:

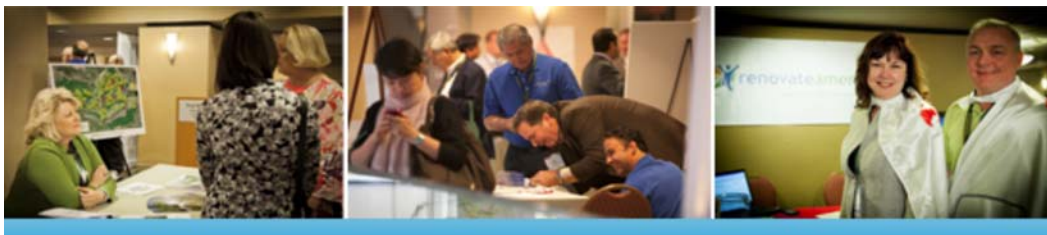
- Visionary Planning for Mobility – Orange County Transportation Authority
- Visionary Planning for Livability – City of La Mirada – Imperial Highway Specific Plan
- Visionary Planning for Livability – City of Irvine – Irvine Business Complex Residential/Mixed Use Vision Plan
- Visionary Planning for Prosperity – Wolff Water Place Affordable Housing Complex/City of La Quinta
- Visionary Planning for Sustainability – 4th+Linden Adaptive Reuse Project/City of Long Beach

Achievement Awards Category:

- Achievement in Livability – City of Artesia – Artesia Boulevard Corridor Specific Plan
- Achievement in Prosperity – Bonnie Brae Village Senior Community/City of Los Angeles
- Achievement in Sustainability – City of Chino – Re-Envisioning Chino: Implementing the 2025 General Plan

A VERY SPECIAL 'THANK YOU' TO OUR SPONSORS!

SCAG thanks the 2012 Regional Conference & General Assembly sponsors for their generous support of this year's event, with special thanks to the Presenting Sponsor, Southern California Edison (SCE).



The 26th Annual Electric Vehicle Symposium

The 26th Annual Electric Vehicle Symposium will be held on May 6 – 9 at the Los Angeles Convention Center. For more information, including a coupon for 50% off admittance to the "Ride, Drive and Charge" event, where participants can experience the most current electric drive technologies, [click here](#).

Register for the Alternative Clean Transportation Expo Coming to the Long Beach Convention Center May 15-17!

The Alternative Clean Transportation (ACT) Expo is North America's largest clean vehicle technology event, dedicated to all alternative fuel types. ACT Expo will feature discussions on new, innovative technologies as well as infrastructure and investment planning, partnership opportunities and fuel cost reduction strategies. Speakers include Hon. Judith Mitchell, SCAG Regional Council member and Board member of the South Coast Air Quality Management District, and keynote speaker Wesley Clark, retired U.S. Army general, among others. For a complete agenda or to register for this event, [click here](#).

SANBAG's 2nd Annual General Assembly on Thursday, June 14, 2012

The San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) will host its 2nd Annual General Assembly on Thursday, June 14, 2012 (8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.) at the Double Tree Hotel in Ontario. The theme of this year's conference is Pathways to Prosperity. This year's conference is expected to bring together elected officials, various transportation stakeholders, and the general public to review work accomplished in the County of San Bernardino. For more information, contact Nicole Desmond at

Nicole@biabuild.com or (949) 244-5946.

Western Riverside Council of Governments 21st Annual General Assembly on Thursday, June 21, 2012

The Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG) will host its 21st Annual General Assembly on Thursday, June 21, 2012 (6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.) at the Morongo Casino, Resort & Spa in Cabazon. This year's conference will bring together experts from the academic, policy, business, public health and government sectors to review work accomplished in the County of Riverside, WRCOG's 17 cities, and two regional water districts. For more information, please contact WRCOG at (951) 955-7985.

Coachella Valley Association of Governments 39th General Assembly on Monday, June 25, 2012

The Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) will host its 39th Annual General Assembly on Monday, June 25, 2012 (6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.) at the Classic Club, located off of the I-10 Freeway and Cook Street exit just outside of Palm Desert. This year's General Assembly will feature Greg Burton, The Desert Sun's new Executive Editor. The CVAG annual event brings together representatives from the academic, policy, business, public health and government sectors to review CVAG's accomplishments for fiscal year 2011-12. Its membership includes CVAG's ten (10) cities, Riverside County and two Tribal nations. For more information, please contact Joanna at CVAG at (760) 346-1127. Dinner reservations are \$50 per person.

Ventura Council of Governments Hosts Annual Dinner on Thursday, June 7, 2012

The Ventura Council of Governments (VCOG) will host its annual event on Thursday, June 7 at The Tower Club, 300 East Esplanade Drive, Oxnard, CA. There will be a Reception at 6:00 PM, followed by the Dinner and Program at 6:30 PM. Timm Herdt, Ventura Star State Bureau Chief, will discuss California Politics in 2012.

EVENTS

MAY

3rd [Regional Council and Policy Committee Meetings](#)
15th [Alternative Clean Transportation Expo](#)
17th [CCCA 53rd Annual Municipal Seminar](#)
21st [24th Annual Demographic Workshop](#)
28th [Memorial Day Holiday](#)
31st [6th Annual Orange County Housing Summit](#)

JUNE

7th [Regional Council and Policy Committee Meetings](#)
7th [VCOG Annual Dinner](#)
14th [SANBAG 2nd Annual General Assembly](#)
21st [WRCOG 21st Annual General Assembly](#)
25th [CVAG 39th General Assembly](#)
28th [SCAG hosting a two-day Grants Management Training Workshop](#)

SCAG Main Office

818 West 7th Street, 12th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017
Phone: (213) 236-1800 | Fax: (213) 236-1961
www.scag.ca.gov

County Regional Offices

Imperial | Orange | Riverside | San Bernardino | Ventura

Questions, comments or would like to subscribe? Contact us at update@scag.ca.gov.